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seek a court injunction to prevent release of the records if it so chooses.

- (2) When a submitter is notified pursuant to paragraph (e)(1) of this section, notice of the Commission's final disclosure determination and proposed release date shall also be provided to the requester.
- (f) Notice of lawsuit. Whenever a requester brings suit seeking to compel disclosure of confidential commercial information, the Commission shall promptly notify the submitter of the legal action.
- (g) Exceptions to the notice requirement. The notice requirements of this section shall not apply if:
- (1) The Commission determines that the information shall not be disclosed;
- (2) The information is published or otherwise officially available to the public;
- (3) Disclosure of the information is required by law (other than 5 U.S.C. 552)

[56 FR 29579, June 28, 1991]

§1610.20 Deletion of exempted matters.

Where requested records contain matters which are exempted under 5 U.S.C. 552(b) but which matters are reasonably segregable from the remainder of the records, they shall be disclosed by the Commission with deletions. To each such record the Commission shall attach a written justification for making deletions. A single such justification shall suffice for deletions made in a group of similar or related records.

[40 FR 8171, Feb. 26, 1975. Redesignated at 56 FR 29579, June 28, 1991]

§ 1610.21 Annual report.

The Legal Counsel shall, on or before February 1, 1998, and annually thereafter, submit a Freedom of Information Act report covering the preceding fiscal year to the Attorney General of the United States. The report shall include those matters required by 5 U.S.C. 552(e), and shall be made available electronically.

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Subpart B—Production in Response to Subpenas or Demands of Courts or Other Authorities

§1610.30 Purpose and scope.

This subpart contains the regulations of the Commission concerning procedures to be followed when a subpena, order, or other demand (hereinafter in this subpart referred to as a "demand") of a court or other authority is issued for the production or disclosure of (a) any material contained in the files of the Commission; (b) any information relating to material contained in the files of the Commission; or (c) any information or material acquired by any person while such person was an employee of the Commission as a part of the performance of his official duties or because of his official status.

[32 FR 16261, Nov. 29, 1967]

§ 1610.32 Production prohibited unless approved by the Legal Counsel.

No employee or former employee of the Commission shall, in response to a demand of a court or other authority, produce any material contained in the files of the Commission or disclose any information or produce any material acquired as part of the performance of his official duties or because of his official status without the prior approval of the Legal Counsel.

[32 FR 16261, Nov. 29, 1967, as amended at 47 FR 46275, Oct. 18, 1982]

§ 1610.34 Procedure in the event of a demand for production or disclosure

- (a) Whenever a demand is made upon an employee or former employee of the Commission for the production of material or the disclosure of information described in §1610.30, he shall immediately notify the Legal Counsel. If possible, the Legal Counsel shall be notified before the employee or former employee concerned replies to or appears before the court or other authority.
- (b) If response to the demand is required before instructions from the Legal Counsel are received, an attorney designated for that purpose by the